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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/236,897
Confirmation Number	9842
Filing Date	January 26, 1999
First Named Inventor	Akihiro KOMATSU
Group Art Unit	1743
Examiner Name	L. Cross
Matter Number	Q53086
Title	CHEMICAL ANALYSIS SYSTEM

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☒ Other Excess Claim Fee Letter

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ Months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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CUSTOMER NUMBER

01 FC:1801 770.00 OP
02 FC:1202 180.00 OP
03 FC:1201 172.00 OP

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Signature Jeffrey A. Schmidt Date September 20, 2004



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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